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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Dear Sir:

Prior to the initial review of the above-identified patent application by the Examiner, please enter the following Preliminary Amendment:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel Claims 2-52, 84-118, 120-123, 125-128, 130-133, 135-157, 159-181, 183-205, 207-233, 263-265, 267-269, 271-292, 294-315, 317-342, 344-369, 371-391, 393-414, and 416 without prejudice to or disclaimer of the subject matter contained therein, and amend Claim 82 as follows:

82. (Amended) The method of Claim 53 wherein the cell, tissue or organ is transplanted into an animal after being contacted with the solution or medium containing the peptide.

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